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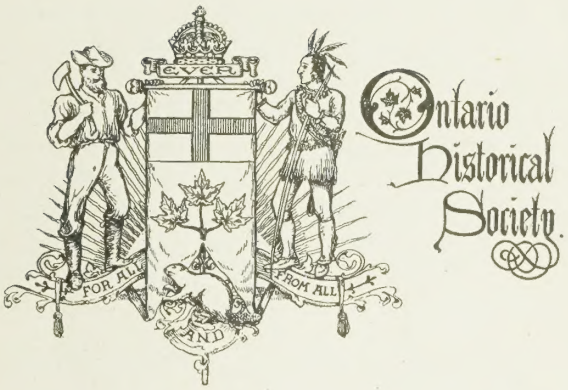

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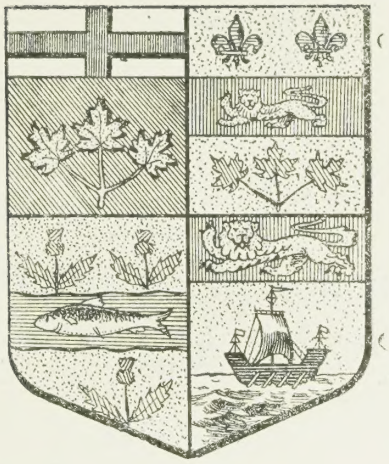

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The Ontario Historical Society at its annual meeting held in the City of Toronto on June 6th, 1917, adopted the following motion:

RESOLVED that on the fiftieth anniversary of the Confederation of Canada this Society desires to record its gratification at the great success which has characterized the union which was consummated on July 1st, 1867. In our material prosperity, social and religious development and all those things which tend to the elevation of humanity we have made such progress as calls for deep gratitude and a recognition of our high responsibilities.

Especially do we think with pride upon the part we have been able to take in the defence of our Empire, and in the cause of world freedom in the Great War, thus strengthening the ties which bind us to our sister Dominions and to the Mother Land from which we have sprung. May our motto ever be "One Flag, One King, One Empire."

GREETINGS (Dominion Day, 1917)

The Society desires to send its greetings to its members and to its various affiliated societies, and cherishes the hope that we may all labour more zealously in the study of the historical problems of our country and that our efforts in this respect may contribute to the solution of the difficulties which beset us in the assimilating and unifying of the many races which make up our population.

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Squair, Prof. John, 368 Palmerston Ave., Toronto.
Stevenson, P. C., Bank of Commerce, Kingston.
Stone, Dr. John R. .....Parry Sound
Story, Miss G. .....Aylmer West
Strathy, Capt. Gerald B., M.A., 34 Castle Frank Road, Toronto.
Sutherland, Hon. R. F., 72 Chestnut Park, Toronto.
Sweet, Dr. John C., 151 Herkimer St., Hamilton.
Sykes, W. J., Carnegie Public Library, Ottawa.

Taylor, John A., M.A., ...St. Thomas
Tench, Miss M. F. A., 35 Drayton Court, London, S.W., Eng.
Thompson, A. B., M.P.P., Penetanguishene.
Thompson, Mrs. E. J., 43A Alexandra Apts., University Ave., Toronto.
Thorn, Major John O., 1194 King St. W., Toronto.
Travers, R. G. H. .....Napanee
Trenaman, Miss Mabel N., B.A., Port Arthur.
Trigge, A. St. L., 43 Douglas Drive, Toronto.
Tyrrell, J. B., M.A., F.G.S., F.R.S.C., 534 Confederation Life Bldg., Toronto.

Van Deusen, Capt. Albert H., 2207 M. St., N. W., Washington, D.C.
Vogt, Augustus S., Mus. Doc., 331 Bloor St. W., Toronto.
Vrooman, John Perry, M.D., Napanee

Walker, Sir Edmund, C.V.O., LL.D., 99 St. George St., Toronto.
Wallace, Thos. Beatty, Phm.B., Napanee.
Warner, Mrs. Clarance M. ....Boston
Warner, Stanley Clark, Equitable Bldg., Denver, Colo., U.S.
Warner, Rev. Robert Ironsides, M.A., D.D., St. Thomas.
Watson, O. K. .....Ridgetown
Weaver, Miss Emily P., 26 Bernard Ave., Toronto.
Wetherell, James Elgin, M.A., 60 Hillcrest Drive, Toronto.
Whitcher, A. H., F.R.G.S., 315 Frank St., Apt. 3, Ottawa.
White, James, F.R.G.S., Conservation Commision, Ottawa.
White, Lt.-Col. John .....Woodstock
White, Willliam R., K.C. ....Pembroke
Wiliams, John, P.O., Box 2155 Winnipeg, Man.
Williams, David .....Collingwood
Willison, Sir John S., LL.D., 10 Elmsley Place, Toronto.
Wintemberg, William J., Victoria Memorial Museum, Ottawa.
Wise, Frank ....70 Bond St., Toronto
Witton, H. B., Ravenscliffe Ave., Hamilton.
Wood, E. R., 26 King St. E., Toronto
Wright, A. W., B.A. ...Mount Forest

Yeigh, Frank, 588 Huron St., Toronto
Young, Prof. Arch'd. Hope, Trinity College, Toronto.

HONOUR ROLL

Twenty-two of our members, so far as we can ascertain, are at the front or have been on active duty in Canada. Their names are as follows:—

Dr. A. G. Doughty.
Prof. J. L. Morison.
Prof. W. L. Grant.
Prof. J. L. Gilmour (chaplain).
Very Rev. Dean G. L. Starr (chaplain).
Brig.-General E. A. Cruikshank.
Lt.-Col. Dr. H. A. Bruce.
Very Rev. Dr. A. E. Burke (chaplain).
Lt.-Col. John A. Cooper.
Prof. Mack Eastman.
Mr. G. S. Fife (killed in action).
Major Harold W. A. Foster.
Lt.-Col. Jas. George.
Lt.-Col. Dr. George Gow.
Prof. E. J. Kylie (died in service).
Lt.-Col. W. M. O. Lochead.
Lt.-Col. Vincent Massey.
Capt. Dr. A. Macphail.
Major A. H. O'Brien.
Lt.-Col. Dr. A. Primrose.
Capt. Gerald B. Strathy.
Mr. R. G. H. Travers.

MEMBERS' SONS ON ACTIVE SERVICE

Lt. W. G. Bowles (wounded).
Pte. Ross Bartlett Braid.
Pte. Ernest W. Burwash (died on active service).
Capt. E. M. J. Burwash.
Capt. Eric K. Clarke.
Lt. Henry E. B. Coyne.
Lt. John G. B. Coyne.
Lt. Wm. G. B. Coyne.
Lt. Darling (killed in action).
Capt. Joseph P. Edwards.
Lt. John C. Inglis Edwards.
Lt. Chester Hughes (killed in action.)
Lt. G. M. Huycke (wounded).
Lt. Wilfred C. James.
Lt. Wm. Warner Lang.
Major Chas. B. Lindsey, D.S.O.
Major John R. W. Meredith (died on active service).
Lt. Wm. Andrew Orr.
Lt. R. B. Arthur Orr.
Pte. Howard P. Primrose (killed in action).
Lt. Wm. T. Willison (killed in action).
Lt. Harold V. H. Wrong (killed in action).

This list, from the nature of the circumstances, may lack some names of members' sons at the front. Information will be gratefully received at the office of the Society, by the Secretary, Normal School Building, Toronto.

Annual Meeting, 1917

The Annual Meeting of the Ontario Historical Society for 1917 was held at 1.30 p.m., Wednesday, June 6, at Toronto, in the Normal School Building, the President, Prof. John Squair, in the chair. Owing to the continuance of the war, arrangements had been made, as in the two preceding years, to eliminate the literary and festive parts of the usual programme, and hold only a business session. The following members, delegates and their friends were in attendance:—

Boston, Mass: Mr. Clarance M. Warner.

Brantford: Miss A. I. G. Gilkison; Rev. James W. Gordon, M.A., Brant Historical Society.

Collingwood: Mrs. K. R. Arthur; Miss Frances A. Redmond; Mr. David Williams, Huron Institute.

Goderich: Mr. James Mitchell.

Hamilton: Mr. Justus A. Griffin.

Kitchener: Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, Waterloo Historical Society.

Niagara Falls, Ont.: Mr. F. H. Leslie, Lundy's Lane Historical Society.

Niagara-on-the-Lake: Miss Janet Carnochan, Niagara Historical Society.

Ottawa: Mrs. J. Russell Simpson, Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa.

St. Thomas: James H. Coyne, LL.D., Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute.

Stratford: J. Davis Barnett, C.E.

Toronto: Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Bruce Historical Society; Mr. E. B. Biggar; Mr. J. C. Black; Mr. A. J. Clark; Mrs. Margaret McL. Farmer; Mr. Wm. Fenton; Alex. Fraser, LL.D., Litt.D.; D. J. Goggin, D.Pæd.; Mr. E. J. Hathaway; A. F. Hunter, M.A., Secretary; Geo. M. Jones, B.A.; Prof. A. E. Lang, M.A.; Mr. T. G. Marquis; Mr. J. Wightman Millar, York Pioneers; Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Provincial Museum; Mr. J. Ross Robertson; Mrs. Isabella L. Shaw; Prof. John Squair, President and Mrs. Squair; Mrs. Elizabeth J. Thompson; Miss Chauncey Tocque, Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto; Mr. J. A. Wales, York Pioneers; Mr. Frank Yeigh.

Windsor: Mr. Andrew Braid, Essex Historical Society.

Woodstock: Mr. George R. Pattullo, Oxford Historical Society.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting for 1916, as printed in the Annual Report, were confirmed.

The President, Prof. John Squair, read his address, which was received with approval, and remarks commending it were made by some of the members.

The Secretary then read his annual report (see Appendix I), and on motion by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. J. Ross Robertson, it was adopted.

The Treasurer's annual statement, on motion by Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. Yeigh, was taken as read. (See Appendix I.)

The death of Dr. C. C. James, the late Treasurer of the Society, having been referred to in feeling terms, on motion by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Miss Carnochan, it was resolved that the Editorial Sub-committee of the

Council take into consideration the republication of the article on the "Palatines," by the late Dr. James, on which he had spent about fifteen years of research.

Mr. Clarance M. Warner submitted the report of the Committee on Historic Sites and Monuments. As this extended to several pages, it was taken as read, and filed for printing in the Annual Report.

The President requested the appointment of a Nominating Committee, in accordance with Sec. 24 of the Constitution, and the members in open meeting elected the following:—David Williams, Geo. R. Pattullo, Andrew Braid and Mrs. J. R. Simpson.

The three named by the President were:—Miss Carnochan, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne and Mr. Clarance M. Warner.

These, and the President, making eight in all, and forming the Nominating Committee, withdrew from the meeting to prepare a list of nominations for officers of the Society for the ensuing year.

The First Vice-President, Mr. J. Ross Robertson, in the Chair, the Secretary submitted the reports of 17 affiliated societies, which are to be printed in the Annual Report, as heretofore, and were therefore taken as read. Several delegates of these affiliated societies being present, gave brief accounts of the work their societies had been doing in the past year.

Mr. F. H. Leslie, of Niagara Falls, Ont., for the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, spoke of the work that had been done for their publications —a history of the churches, and a history of the schools.

Miss F. A. Redmond, on behalf of the Huron Institute, Collingwood, spoke of the war scrap-books they had been preparing for the Institute, giving full accounts of those who had gone to the front from that district, and the parts they had played in the great war.

The Chairman, Mr. Robertson, advised the Societies that had not yet taken up this work to do so at once, and he also spoke of the extent to which the daily press of Toronto had written up the deeds of the Canadian heroes, the *Telegram* having given above 25,000 portraits of soldiers with their records.

Rev. Jas. W. Gordon, of the Brant Historical Society, spoke of the work of their Society, especially the erection of a tablet in memory of the late Miss E. Pauline Johnson, the poetess.

Mr. J. Wightman Millar of the York Pioneers gave an interesting account of the work of that Society, especially in holding monthly meetings throughout the whole year, and Miss Chauncey Tocque mentioned the war work done by the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto.

The report of the Nominating Committee was then read by Mr. Geo. R. Pattullo:—

The Nominating Committee beg to recommend the following as the officers for the year 1917-18:—

Honorary President—Hon. Robt. A. Pyne, M.D., LL.D., M.P.P., Minister of Education.

President—Prof. John Squair.

Vice-Presidents—J. Ross Robertson, Esq., Miss Janet Carnochan.

Councillors—Mrs. J. R. Simpson, Ottawa; J. Davis Barnett, C.E., Strat-

ford; E. B. Biggar, Esq., Toronto; Prof. A. E. Lang, Toronto; Geo. H. Locke, M.A., Ph.D., Toronto; and ex-Presidents.

Treasurer—Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Toronto.

Auditors—J. J. Murphy, Toronto; Frank Yeigh, Toronto.

Committee on Historic sites and Monuments—Messrs. Jackson, Pattullo, Braid, Warner, Miss Redmond.

Committee on Flag and Commemoration—Mrs. Fessenden, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Black, Miss Tocque, Major Starr.

The Report was adopted.

Miss Janet Carnochan, on request, read the Report of the Niagara Historical Society, one of the senior affiliated institutions.

The Chairman, Mr. J. Ross Robertson, referred to the value of Miss Carnochan's work at Niagara, inviting other organizations and workers to take a greater interest in landmarks, and spoke of his Historical Collection in this particular.

On motion by Miss Frances A. Redmond, seconded by Miss Chauncey Tocque, it was resolved that the thanks of the Society be tendered to the Honourable the Minister of Education for many courtesies extended to the Society including the continued use of the rooms in the Educational Buildings and the publication by the Provincial Government of the Society's Annual Report for 1916; to Mr. A. J. Clark for his generous gift of the Honour Roll of members of the Society in active service in the World War; and to Mr. Clarance M. Warner for his liberal donation to the Society's funds.

Mr. Jas. Mitchell spoke of the duty of the Society to mark in some way this year of the semi-centennial of the Confederation of Canada, and on motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, it was resolved that the President, Mr. Mitchell and the Secretary be a committee to consider how we can celebrate Confederation by a resolution to be published in the press or in a memorial page (for the Annual Report) which would be given to the press.

Mr. E. B. Biggar read an extract from the Official Report of the Debates of the Canadian House of Commons for May 31, 1917, giving the plans that have been made for celebrating nationally the fiftieth anniversary of the federation of the Canadian Provinces.

The Committee named in the next preceding paragraph met subsequently to this meeting, and drew up the following resolution *re* the Confederation Semi-centennial:—

Resolved that on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada this Society desires to record its gratification at the great success which has characterized the union which was consummated on July 1st, 1867. In our material prosperity, social and religious development and all those things which tend to the elevation of humanity we have made such progress as calls for deep gratitude and a recognition of our high responsibilities.

Especially do we think with pride upon the part we have been able to take in the defence of our Empire, and in the cause of world freedom in the Great War, thus strengthening the ties which bind us to our sister Dominions and to the Mother Land from which we have sprung. May our motto ever be "One Flag, One King, One Empire."

On motion by Mr. Clarance M. Warner, seconded by Mr. J. Ross Robertson (the Chair being now occupied by the President-elect, Prof. Squair), it was resolved that Dr. Jas. H. Coyne draw up a memorial page of our appreciation of Dr. James' work.

On motion by the Secretary, seconded by Dr. Coyne, it was resolved that the Society remit the membership dues, for the year just completed, of our members who are on active service either with the colors in Canada or overseas.

This concluded the business of the meeting, which was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

APPENDIX I

SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1916-17

In this report there will be given only a review of the various branches of the Society's work for the year—the nineteenth since its reorganization under a new Constitution, and since the adoption of its present form, the Society to-day entering upon its twentieth year, and the thirtieth since its original formation.

Membership.

Since our last report, in addition to eighteen of our members then recorded, three others are ascertained to be overseas in the active service, as follows:

Prof. Mack Eastman.
Lt.-Col. Dr. George Gow.
Capt. Gerald B. Strathy.
(Since this was written there has been added Lt.-Col. Jas. George.)

It is our duty to remit once more the annual subscriptions due from all members so engaged, and I would recommend, as I did in the preceding year, the Society to credit the dues of all members in the service, for the year now ended.

The Society has been fortunate enough this year to receive, as a donation, an Honour Roll for the names of its members and their sons in the service of their country in this great war—the work and at the same time the gift of the artist, Mr. A. J. Clark, who is one of our members, and to whom we are also indebted for other favours during the year.

During the past year a change took place in the office of the Governor-General of Canada, who is one of our ex-officio members. This event was duly recognized by the Society presenting, in common with many other similar societies, a brief address to the new official, His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, on the occasion of his first official visit to Toronto last December.

When issuing our annual "Notice to Members" at January 1st, announcing the date fixed for this annual meeting, after mentioning the Society's output in publications, and that it would issue shortly another number of "Papers and Records" of moderate size, it was deemed fitting to state the policy of the Society in clear language, and the "Notice" accordingly contained the following passage:

"The Society intends to go forward with its work in the usual way, whatever curtailment in other lines, especially in luxuries, may become desirable in order to complete the reorganization of our national resources for war. This is deemed fitting because our work is largely patriotic and in no way parasitical to the economic conditions of our country, but rather helpful to put in active circulation at least what its upkeep costs. It is hoped, therefore, that any members who do not approve of this course will forthwith file their resignations rather than permit their membership to fall into arrears."

Following this "Notice" only 9 resignations were filed out of our total annual membership at that time of 369, or only two and a half per cent., ninety-seven and a half per cent. remaining loyal. The result thus obtained, with the receipt of renewals of subscriptions from an increased number of others, shows that this declaration of our policy has the almost unanimous approval of the members of the Society.

There have been eight deaths of members this year as follows: Major John R. Barber, Georgetown; Hon. H. Corby, Belleville; John J. Drummond, Midland; Sir Lyman Melvin Jones, Toronto; T. J. Kennedy, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; Hon. Justice Leitch, Toronto; R. W. Puddicombe, London; Judge Jas. Robb, Simcoe.

(Since this was written there has died John Harvie, the pioneer railway conductor, who was one of our members; also Wm. D. Le Sueur, LL.D., of Ottawa.)

The regrettable death of Mr. T. A. S. Hay, President of the Peterborough Historical Society, and one of our ex-officio members, also occurred during the year.

In the list of deceased Canadians of the past year (Dec., 1916) was the name of George Hughes Hale, editor for more than forty years of the Orillia *Packet*. He was not a member of our Society but a well-wisher, and he was an ardent promoter of the pursuit of Canadian History. This was the man who, in 1899, wrote to the Ontario Historical Society advocating Imperial penny postage. The Society took up the subject, instructed its secretary of that time to write to the Postmaster-General, then Sir William Mulock, urging the measure, and some months later it became a realized fact.

Six new members have joined. The blank forms we had had printed for use in recommending new members have unfortunately not been used by our members. The membership at this date consists of:

Three hundred and forty-seven annual, 50 ex-officio, 10 delegate, 6 honorary, 7 corresponding and 3 life—making a total of 423.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

The Treasurer's Report contains the financial items in detail and a statement of the Secretary's office expenses in detail is also submitted herewith. The revenues from the office this year amount to $286.00, as follows:

Members' subscriptions	$259.00
Reviews of historical publications	17.00
Sales of publications	10.00
	$286.00

In financial matters, as also in other particulars, the results of this year's work are encouraging, the office cash receipts for the year having increased slightly in comparison with last year's, being $286.00 this year as against $271.50 a year ago. The shrinkages in receipts reported in the two previous years were natural enough, and were expected, as almost every similar society had the same experience. With the first shock of the war the natural tendency of everyone was to become cautious in money matters, and it affected our

revenues for two years, but some improvement has now taken place in spite of the high prices of everything. The panic tendency to hoard money has grown gradually less as shown, not only in our receipts this year, but in the receipts of many other activities. This affords good evidence of the stability of our free institutions, of which this Society is a typical example, and for which British soil is justly celebrated.

In addition to having had improved receipts, by means of two donations—one from Mr. Clarance M. Warner of $96.50 toward the Gourlay article in Vol. XIV, and the other a concession from the Department of Education in the matter of printing our annual business report—we have paid the increased expenditure incurred in last year's work, which had come as a legacy into this year, and have also diminished the expenditures and liabilities incurred in most branches of this year's work. In regard to the above mentioned gratifying aid received from the Department of Education, the officers based a claim upon the fact that the Society had been printing 900 copies of the business report annually, some of which were used for gratuitous public distribution as well as for our own members, and as the Government has generously printed such material for various other societies and institutes, we asked the same favour, and it was granted to us.

PUBLICATIONS.

During the year the Society issued Vol. XIV of "Papers and Records," which was well forward at the time of the annual meeting a year ago. It also issued the Annual Report for 1916 containing 61 pages, and has undertaken Vol. XV of "Papers and Records," which will be issued shortly.

LIBRARY.

The Library has received during the year 232 books, 345 pamphlets and a corresponding number of minor prints, engravings, newspapers, photographs, MSS., etc., and shows in each line small increases over last year's figures. A small outlay was made for lantern slides of an historical character, as the financial report shows. Every efficient library nowadays, doing specialized work, has an assortment of lantern slides, and when some were offered to us at a low price the executive made a small beginning, especially for the use of the affiliated societies. At the present time it is of little use to read papers and deliver lectures without illustrations, as the "movies" have made abstract papers a thing of the past.

The books and pamphlets received are classified as follows:

	Canada	U.S.	British and Foreign	Total
Bound volumes or volumes ready for binding (donations)	155	..	12	167
(exchanges)	25	40	..	65
Pamphlets and unbound numbers not yet complete for binding (donations)	300	6	1	307
(exchange)	12	26	..	38

It is gratifying, therefore, to find ourselves, near the close of three years of this lamentable war, and in spite of its terrible effects—social, economic and national—able to lay before our members a report of what we can describe as a satisfactory year's effort, with slight gains over last year in all branches of our work. The loyalty of our members to the Society, speaking generally, has been shown in a remarkable degree. While in every branch of our work there are thus small gains over last year's figures, it must be remembered that the financial efficiency of our resources has diminished since the beginning of the war. In our skating, as it were, we have made reasonable progress when our affairs are judged by contiguous phenomena, but the ice field over which we are travelling (speaking figuratively) has drifted against us and has in reality carries us backward, through no fault of ours. The purchasing power of a dollar is no more now than was that of sixty cents three years ago.

Our membership list, as a vital part of our resources, is now relatively less profitable to us than it was. In the three years of war—while 37 new members have joined, 22 of our members have entered the service of their country and from them we accordingly expect no financial returns; 23 have died, 17 have resigned and 30 have fallen into arrears. There are still here and there persons who would and should join the Society, and it is to be hoped that the active members will send us the names of such people on the blank forms provided for the purpose.

In such trying times as these, historical research is second in importance only to scientific research, and in some respects it is equally important. The thread of the national history should not be broken even in war time, nor yet should history from the citizen's point of view, which is our chosen part.

At this time last year we lost the services of two useful men from important executive offices—Mr. Warner by removal to Boston and Dr. James by death, but their places have fallen to two members who have rendered faithful services—Prof. Squair and Col. Belcher—and I hereby acknowledge my gratitude for their cordial aid in the work of the year.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

Parallel with some increases in the various branches of our own work, sufficient to afford us a measure of encouragement and to inspire us with confidence for the future, some improvement is also apparent with some of our affiliated societies. Some of them are showing commendable activity and progress; ten have brought out publications during the year. Others are bending all their energies toward the patriotic efforts of our citizen organizations, which is also highly commendable. (See Appendix 2.)

One of the chief difficulties of many local societies lies in securing a supply of addresses and papers for their meetings. There is a local supply, but this is often inadequate, and they have to seek outside talent. It is necessary, therefore, to systematize this matter for the Province, as has been done in connection with other societies and institutes. Lecturers travelling to the different centres to deliver addresses are paid at least their travelling expenses, and sometimes additional allowances, and the beginning we have made to form a collection of lantern slides for this purpose should be extended and encouraged.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. HUNTER, *Secretary.*

DONATIONS.

Canadian Publications.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Agriculture, Dep't of, Alberta, Edmonton	1	
Alex. Hamilton Institute, Toronto	1	
Arthur D. Little, Limited, Montreal	1	
Belcher, Lt.-Col. A. E., Toronto		3
Canada, Dominion Government, Ottawa	41	23
Can. Bank of Commerce, Toronto	1	
Can. Military Hospitals Commission	1	5
Can. Red Cross Society	8	
Champlain Society, Toronto		8
Clark, A. J., Toronto		2
Conservation, Commission of, Canada	4	1
Griffin, Justus A., Hamilton	2	2
Hardy, E. A., D.Pæd., Toronto		2
Irwin, Norman A. (Editor, "The Elevator"), Belleville		6
Kelso, J. J., Toronto	1	
King's Printer, Ontario		15
Laidlaw, Lt.-Col. G. E., Victoria Road, Ont.		1
Miscellaneous	83	199
Nash, C. W., Toronto		1
Orr, Dr. Rowland B., Toronto	3	
Public Library, Toronto		2
Seaman, H. S., Winnipeg, Man.		1
Secretary of State, Dep't of, Ottawa	2	
Shaw, Mrs. Isabella, Toronto	4	12
Sherk, Rev. A. B. (ob.)		1
Sherk, M. G., Todmorden		1
Siebert, Prof. W. H., Columbus, O.		1
Stratford, Mrs. John, Toronto	1	
Sulte, Benjamin, LL.D., Ottawa		1
Thompson, Mrs. E. J., Toronto		8
Toronto City Clerk		1
University of Toronto	1	
Walker, Sir Edmund, Toronto		3
Y. W. C. Association, Toronto		1
	155	300

United States Publications.

	Pamphlets.
Amer. Type Founders' Library and Museum, Jersey City, N.J.	1
Lawson, John D., Columbia, Mo.	1
MacCallum, G.A., M.D., New York	2
Porter, Hon. Peter A., Niagara Falls, N.Y.	1
Van Deusen, Capt. A. H., Washington, D.C.	1
	6

British and Foreign.

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Belgique, Consul Général de, Ottawa	3	
Lyon, Bibliothèque de la Ville de, France		1
Miscellaneous	4	
Royal Colonial Institute, London, Eng.	3	
Universités et écoles françaises, L'Office National des, Paris	2	
	12	1

EXCHANGES.

Canada.

Antiquarian and Numismatic Society, Montreal	1	
Barnett, J. Davis, C.E., Stratford	4	
Can. Archives, Ottawa	1	
Can. Defence League, Toronto. (Vol. VIII.)	1	
Can. Military Institute, Toronto. (No. 21.)	1	
Haight, W. R., Toronto	2	
Kent Historical Society, Chatham	1	
Lennox and Addington Hist. Soc., Napanee	1	
Niagara Historical Society, Niagara-on-the-Lake	1	2
Ontario Land Surveyors Association	1	
Queen's Quarterly, Kingston. (Vol. XXIV.)	1	
Royal Astron. Society, Canada		4
Royal Canadian Institute, Toronto		3
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa	1	1
University of Toronto Library, Toronto	2	
Waterloo Historical Society, Kitchener	3	
Wentworth Historical Society, Hamilton	3	
Women's Can. Historical Society of Ottawa		2
Women's Can. Historical Society of Toronto	1	
	25	12

United States.

Amer. Ethnology, Bureau of, Washington, D.C.	4	
Amer. Historical Association, Washington, D.C.		3
Bangor Historical Society, Bangor, Me.	1	
California, University of, Berkeley, Cal.	1	
Congress, Library of, Washington, D.C.	1	1
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Ct.	1	
Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society, Chapel Hill, N.C.		2
Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.	1	
Indiana Magaz. of History, Bloomington, Ind.	1	
Iowa State Hist. Soc'y, Iowa City, Ia. (Vol. XIV.)	1	
Journal of History, Lamoni, Ia.		2
Magazine Subject Index, Boston, Mass.	1	
Medford Hist. Society, Medford, Mass. (Vol. XIX.)	1	

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Michigan Historical Commission, Lansing, Mich.		3
Minnesota Hist. Society, St. Paul, Minn.	9	12
New Jersey Hist. Society, Newark, N.J.	1	
N. Y. Historical Society, New York	3	
N. Y. Public Library, New York. (Vol. XX.)	1	
N. Y. State Hist. Ass'n, Glens Falls, N.Y.	1	
N. Y. State Library, Albany, N.Y.	3	
North Dakota Historical Society, Bismarck		1
Ohio Archæological and Hist. Soc'y, Columbus	1	
Onondaga Hist. Ass'n, Syracuse, N.Y.	1	
Rhode Island Hist. Soc'y, Providence, R.I.		1
Texas State Hist. Ass'n, Austin, Tex. (Vol. XX.)	1	
University of N. Dakota, University, N.D.	2	1
Washington Hist. Quarterly, Seattle, Wash.	1	
Western Reserve Hist. Soc'y, Cleveland, O.	1	
Wisconsin Hist. Soc'y, Madison, Wis.	2	
	40	26

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Society has also received the following:

Andrew Braid, Windsor—"The Evening *Record*," Windsor, of May 23, 1917, (Silver Jubilee Edition—25 years a city). Also a page of the Windsor "Evening *Record*" of May 23, 1917, containing a History of the Windsor Ferries.

Canadian Red Cross Society, Toronto—101 monthly bulletins for general distribution.

A. J. Clark, Toronto—Phial of volcanic ash from the eruption of Mont Pelee, which destroyed the City of St. Pierre, Martinique, May 8, 1902. Also, Honour Roll of members (Ontario Historical Society) and their sons in service during the great war.

Essex Historical Society, Windsor—Two large photographs of the last two tablets placed by that Society, viz., Military Stone Barracks (1814-1867), and Mission House of the Jesuits (1728).

Mrs. Sidney Farmer, Toronto—"The Commercial and Canadian Farmer's Joint Stock Press"—a sheet by Robert F. Gourlay.

Justus A. Griffin, Hamilton—Map of the City of Hamilton.

George S. Hodgins, New York, N.Y.—Seven numbers of the "Scottish American," (1917), (N.Y.), containing reprint of his article on the "Heraldry of Canada," from "Papers and Records," Ontario Historical Society, Vol. XIV.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa—Twenty-three section sheets of the Standard Topographical Map of Canada (in Ontario). (Scale 3.95 miles to 1 inch.) Also Map of the Yukon Territory (16 miles to 1 inch).

The Secretary—Framed picture ("The last of the buffalo herd").

Mrs. Isabella Shaw, Toronto—Souvenir Menus with signatures of defenders of Verdun (Kathleen Burke).—Quarto folder.

M. G. Sherk, Todmorden—The "Canadian Freeman" (York, U.C.), May 8 and 15, 1828, two numbers. Also obituaries of the late Rev. A. B. Sherk and thirteen manuscripts by the deceased.

OFFICE EXPENSES, 1916-17

1916			
June	30	Postage, June	$2 27
July	31	Postage, July	2 51
Aug.	31	Postage, August	3 37
Sep.	26	Express on books, N.Y. Hist. Society	85
Sep.	30	Postage, September	3 51
Oct.	2	Freight and cartage (Vol. XIV) from Hamilton	2 25
"	31	Postage, October	3 97
Nov.	13	Inscribing resolution (Dr. James)	3 00
"	30	Postage, November	5 35
Dec.	12	Inscribing Address, Governor-General	1 00
"	30	Postage, December	5 50
1917			
Jan.	31	Postage, January	5 56
Feb.	28	Postage, February	6 32
Mar.	31	Postage, March	5 95
Apr.	4	Ontario Library Association, membership fee	2 00
"	21	Discounts on cheques	60
"	30	Postage, April	6 03
May	31	Framing Honour Roll	1 50
"	31	Cartage, etc.	50
"	31	Postage, May	6 96
			$72 00

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1916-17

Receipts.

1916		
May 31	Balance in hand	$0 73
" 31	Interest on deposits	12
June 30	Ontario Government Grant	800 00
Nov. 30	Interest on deposits	5 56
Oct. 6	Mr. Clarance M. Warner on acc. printing Vol. XIV	96 50
1917		
May 31	Interest on deposits	16
May 31/16 to May 31/17	Members fees per Secretary	259 00
	Reviews of publications	17 00
	Sales of publications	10 00
		$1,189 07

EXPENDITURES.

1916		
June 30	Engravings for Vol. XIV, Papers and Records	$7 22
" 30 / Aug. 8	Travelling expenses, annual meeting and council	30 50
June 30	Historical lantern slides	6 00
Aug. 8	Printing 500 circulars, 200 recommendations	4 65
Oct. 6	Printing 200 letterheads, 1,000 envelopes	5 25
" 6	800 copies, Vol. XIV, "Papers and Records."	446 40
" 6	Postage on Vol. XIV, mailed to members	24 00
1917		
Jan. 13	Postage on "Notice," etc., mailed to members	9 00
Mar. 27	Printing 300 blanks (subscription accounts)	1 75
" 27	Printing 400 circular "notices."	2 68
" 27	Postage on Annual Report, 1916, mailed to members	9 00
May 26	Engravings for Vol. XV, "Papers and Records."	12 00
" 26	Printing 500 programmes, annual meeting	2 75
" 26	Printing 100 account slips	75
	Secretary, on account salary	550 00
	Office expenses (postage, etc.)	72 00
	Balance in hand	5 12
		$1,189 07

Audited and found correct,

J. J. MURPHY.
FRANK YEIGH.

MUSEUM FUND

1916		
June 1	Balance in hand	$450 48
" 30	Interest	10 14
Dec. 30	Interest	10 36
1917		
June 1	Balance in hand	$470 98

Audited and found correct,

J. J. MURPHY.
FRANK YEIGH.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HISTORIC SITES AND MONUMENTS

Properly to report everything that has happened in Canada that has had to do with the making of history during the past year would require many volumes. We have just passed through another year of terrible war and all Canadians know that their country has done her part and done it nobly. Your Committee, following the plan adopted when the war started, has not attempted to report any of the events of the war as they relate to Canada's part, but has left that subject for more able hands. The Government at Ottawa continues to gather valuable material both at home and abroad. When its report is made an authentic record will be assured.

Following the suggestion of one of the members of our Committee no record is made in this report of the deaths of prominent Canadians. This material is so well collected in Mr. Hopkins' "Annual Review" that we consider it unwise to cover the same ground a second time.

As is natural, when there are so many other ways in which money must be spent, there have been few monuments and memorials erected during the year. When this terrible war is over and the people of the Dominion have had an opportunity of adjusting themselves to the new order of things, may all of the heroes be remembered by some lasting memorial. Apart from the individual monuments and tablets which will be erected throughout the breadth of the land, might it not be well for the Dominion Government to erect in the Capital City a national historical building in which could be kept permanent records of every Canadian who took any part in preserving the freedom of the world.

We give below such records as we have been able to collect during the year.

CANADIAN MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS

The Geographic Board of Canada in March, 1916, gave the name "Sir Robert" to a mountain in the British Columbia coast range, nine miles southeast of Doreen station. This will perpetuate the name and fame of Sir Robert Borden, our present premier.

On Sunday evening, April 9th, 1916, the Methodist Church at Orillia, Ontario, unveiled an Honour Roll containing the names of one hundred and forty-five members and adherents who have enlisted for overseas service since the war began. The Church was appropriately decorated for the occasion.

Memorial tablets to the memory of the late Hon. James Maclennan and his wife Elizabeth McGill Strange were placed in St. Andrew's Church and St. Andrew's Church Institution, corner King and Simcoe Streets, Toronto, in April, 1916. Another tablet was erected in the large hall at the Institution in memory of the late Miss Isabel Christina Grace King, who died April 4, 1915.

On April 26, 1916, a portrait of Principal Donald Ross of the theological college of Queen's University, Kingston, was unveiled at Convocation. The portrait was presented to the University on behalf of the Theological Alumni Association, by the Rev. N. M. Leckie, of Kirkwall, Ontario.

The Department of Public Works at Ottawa announced on May 2, 1916, that the design of W. S. Allward, of Toronto, for the King Edward statue to be placed at the corner of the eastern departmental block, overlooking Connaught Square, had been accepted.

A drinking fountain, given by the ladies of the Town Improvement Society of Weston in memory of their first President, Mrs. Bertha Dawson, was unveiled on Saturday evening, May 6th, 1916. The fountain is in front of the Town Hall.

In Chalmers Presbyterian Church at Guelph, a memorial tablet, in honour of the late Dr. Thomas Wardrope was unveiled on Sunday, May 14th, 1916.

A meeting was held in Toronto on May 29th, 1916, with the object of starting a movement to erect a monument to Nurse Edith Cavell. It is intended to have the monument cost $12,000 and to have it erected on University Avenue, Toronto.

The York Pioneers, Toronto, Ontario, unveiled on July 4th, 1916, a group picture containing photographs of more than 390 members of the Society.

At the Church of St. Mary, the Virgin, Toronto, on Sunday evening, September 11, 1916, a tablet to the memory of Lieut. Alexander Douglas Kirkpatrick was unveiled with appropriate ceremony. Lieut. Kirkpatrick was killed in action at the Battle of St. Julien.

The Management Committee of the Board of Education, at Toronto, approved the idea of a memorial to Edith Cavell to be erected by the school children, at a meeting held in that city on September 13, 1916.

A tablet to the memory of Pte. Harvey Wright of the 19th Battalion of Toronto was unveiled at the Church of St. Barnabas in that city on Sunday afternoon, September 17, 1916.

The Duke of Connaught unveiled, on September 27, 1916, a bronze tablet on the new Victoria Pier at Montreal to commemorate the reign of Queen Victoria and the gubernatorial regime of the Duke in Canada.

The Princess Patricia unveiled an oiled portrait of her father, the Duke of Connaught, at the Art Gallery in Montreal on September 27, 1916. The portrait was painted by a Montreal artist, Miss Gertrude des Clayes.

A portrait of the late Mrs. Lillian Massey Treble was unveiled in one of the halls of the Department of Household Science of the University of Toronto on September 29, 1916. The portrait was painted by Mr. McGillivray Knowles

and the ceremony was presided over by Sir Edmund Walker. Mrs. Treble was the foundress of the Household Science Department at the University.

A beautiful memorial window was unveiled in the Rosedale Presbyterian Church, Toronto, on October 29, 1916, to the memory of Alexander Laird, late General Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

On November 26th, 1916, tablets were unveiled in St. Matthew's Church, First Avenue, Toronto, in memory of the late John A. Ewan and John V. Vick.

Three memorial windows in the Northern Congregational Church, Glen Road, Toronto, were unveiled on November 26, 1916. The windows are in memory of Mrs. B. B. O'Hara, Mrs. Elizabeth Jocelyn and of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Page and Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Page, Jr.

A tablet to the memory of the late Major John Macdonald Mowat, a former Kingston lawyer, grandson of the late Sir Oliver Mowat, was unveiled in the eastern corridor of the Court House at Kingston, Ontario, on November 28, 1916. Major Mowat was killed in action in France on October 7, 1916.

Dr. John Hunter, school trustee of Toronto, at a meeting held on December 12th, 1916, suggested that a memorial school for the Earlscourt men who have fallen in the war be erected in the City of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilgress, of Brockville, presented a Lansdowne memorial font in memory of their son, Lieut. George Wilgress, who was killed in action on the western front, to St. Peter's Church, at Cobourg, Ontario, on January 1, 1917. Other memorials presented to the same Church during the Christmas season included a communion rail from Gen. and Mrs. Fitzhugh. and sedilia for the clergy in the sanctuary from Mr. F. S. Schwartz.

The Baraca Club, of Toronto, celebrated the opening of new bowling alleys installed to the memory of Lieut. Hal Gordon, the dead soldier-journalist who was a member of the Club, on January 2, 1917.

On January 4th, 1917, the Toronto General Hospital was presented with $5,000 for the purpose of endowing a bed as a memorial to Capt. Trumbull Warren of the 15th Batallion, 48th Highlanders, who was killed at Ypres. Belgium, April 20, 1915. The memorial was presented by the employees of the Gutta Percha and Rubber Mfg. Company.

At Ottawa on January 16, 1917, a movement was started for the purpose of erecting a monument in Ottawa to the memory of Edith Cavell. It is planned to raise $20,000 and give all of the provinces an opportunity to contribute toward the fund.

It was announced early in February, 1917, that the Brantford Historical Society would place a memorial tablet in the Public Library on March 7, 1917, to Miss E. Pauline Johnson, the celebrated Canadian poetess of the Six Nations Indians.

At Kingston, Ontario, on March 16, 1917, there was unveiled in the City Hall a portrait of the late Major John Macdonald Mowat who fell in action in France in October, 1916.

A bronze tablet was unveiled on March 25, 1917, in the Central Presbyterian Church, Galt, Ontario, to the memory of Rev. J. A. R. Dixon, who died in 1915, and to his wife who died in 1902.

CANADIAN BUILDINGS

By a majority of 327, Orillia, on March 27, 1916, passed a by-law to raise $35,000 with which to reconstruct the municipal building which was destroyed by fire in July, 1915.

The new Wychwood Public Library building on Bathurst Street, Toronto, was formally opened on March 29th, 1916.

The Salvation Army's new training college on Davisville Avenue, Toronto, will be a memorial to General Booth. The corner stone was laid with impressive ceremony by Commissioner W. J. Richards on April 1st, 1916.

The De La Salle Training College at Oak Ridges, York County, was formally opened on May 10, 1916. The old Bank of Upper Canada building at the corner of Duke and George Streets, Toronto, had been the home of the Christian Brothers since 1871. The new building cost $175,000 and is built after the College Gothic style of architecture.

The new Soldiers' Convalescent Home at St. Catharines, Ontario, with a capacity of four hundred beds, was formally turned over to the Hospital Commission on June 24th, 1916.

The plant of the Collingwood Packing Company was destroyed by fire on August 6th, 1916. The loss was over one million dollars.

A new station built by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company at Quebec City was formally opened on August 10th, 1916.

The Duke of Connaught formally relaid the corner stone of the new Capitol buildings at Ottawa on Friday, September 1st, 1916.

Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Acting Minister of Education for Ontario, opened the new Central High School of Commerce at Toronto on September 5th, 1916, with an appropriate address on the Education of the Province.

At Lennoxville, Quebec, on October 9, 1916, the first sod of a new million dollar school was turned. The building is being donated by Lieut. J. K. L. Rose and will be known as Bishop's College.

The British American Hotel at Kingston, Ontario, which has been running for one hndred and twenty years was permanently closed on Saturday, October 28, 1916. This hotel was one of the historic landmarks of Kingston.

The new High Park branch of the Toronto Public Library was formally opened with appropriate ceremony on October 31, 1916.

On December 18, 1916, the Collegiate Institute at Barrie, Ontario, was destroyed by fire. The building cost about $100,000.

The new Orange Hall was dedicated at Kingston, Ontario, on February 8, 1917.

The new Masonic Hall at Ingersoll, Ontario, was opened with impressive ceremony on February 12, 1917.

The members of the Christian Unity Mission at Toronto dedicated their new building, known as Beulah Hall, at Toronto on February 18, 1917.

The new Town Hall at Orillia, Ontario, which cost $71,000, was formally opened on March 5, 1917.

The Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa secured, in January, 1917, the old registry office on Nicholas Street as a home and museum for their Society. The same was formally opened at their annual meeting in March, 1917.

Massey Hall at Albert College, Belleville, Ontario, was completely destroyed by fire on April 21st, 1917.

CANADIAN CHURCHES

Dale Presbyterian Church, Toronto, was formally dedicated on Sunday, April 2nd, 1916. It has seating capacity for 2,000.

The corner stone of the new Pauline Avenue Methodist Church, Toronto, was laid with due ceremony on June 10th, 1916.

The new Christian Science Church at the corner of St. George Street and Lowther Avenue, Toronto, was formally opened on July 9th, 1916. The edifice cost $150,000 and is free of debt.

The corner stone of a new St. Nicholas Church at Birchcliffe, Toronto, was laid by Bishop Sweeney on July 23rd, 1916.

A Russian Orthodox Church, the first in Toronto, was dedicated on Sunday, September 24, 1916, by Archbishop Alexander, head of the Russian Church of Canada. It is located at the corner of Royce Avenue and Edwin Street, West Toronto, in the middle of the Russian colony.

The Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Toronto, was dedicated by the Rt. Rev. Archbishop of Toronto, on Thursday evening, September 28, 1916. This new edifice has cost to date $25,000 and is on the corner of St. Clair and Bracondale Aves.

St. Alban's Protestant Cathedral at Kenora, Ontario, was destroyed by fire on February 2, 1917. The loss was estimated at $15,000.

St. Paul's German Lutheran Church near Rostock in Ellice Township, Ontario, was destroyed by fire on Sunday evening, February 11th, 1917. The loss was estimated at about $20,000.

A new pulpit was dedicated on April 8th, 1917, at His Majesty's Royal Chapel of Mohawks, the oldest Protestant Church in Upper Canada, at Brantford, Ontario.

The corner stone of the new Salvation Army Hall at Welland, Ontario, was laid on April 10th, 1917.

The Bishop of Niagara dedicated the new Anglican Church at Port Colborne, Ontario, on April 22, 1917. The Church cost, with the furnishings, $30,000.

St. James' Methodist Church at Peterborough, Ontario, was dedicated on April 29, 1917. The new church has seating capacity for 750, is of Gothic style and cost $50,000.

On May 13, 1917, the corner stone of the new Morningside Presbyterian Church at Swansea was laid with appropriate services. A box containing the history of the church and copies of the City daily papers was placed in the stone.

CANADIAN HISTORIC EVENTS

Early in May, 1916, the new Military Camp laid out on Pine Plains in Simcoe County was appropriately named Camp Borden. Col. A. P. Deroche had charge of the planning of the Camp.

Rev. Dr. T. Stannage Boyle, late of Trinity College, Toronto, was formally installed as President and Vice-Chancellor of King's College and University at Windsor, N. S., on May 11, 1916.

At a meeting of the Toronto Public Library Board held on May 12, 1916, Mr. John Ross Robertson presented the Library with his collection of maps and plans of the Town of York and of Upper and Lower Canada.

Westbourne College, Bloor Street, Toronto, closed its doors for good in May, 1916, after fifteen years of life. Miss Curlette was the principal.

By the sudden death on June 23rd, 1916, of Charles Cannif James, this Society lost one of its best workers, one who was always ready and anxious to do anything within his power for the good of our organization and for the benefit of historical work in general. Dr. James was born at Napanee, Ontario, on June 14th, 1863. His life, after leaving college, was one of the greatest usefulness to his country and he will long be remembered as the man who did things for the good of his fellow countrymen.

In June, 1916, the citizens of Berlin, Ontario, voted to change the name of the City to Kitchener. The vote stood—Kitchener, 346; Brock, 335; Adanac, 23; Benton, 15; Corona, 7; Keowana, 3.

Sir James Albert Manning Aikens of Winnipeg was appointed Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Manitoba in August, 1916. He succeeded Sir Douglas Cameron.

Mr. J. J. Coughlin, of Stratford, Ontario, was officially notified on August 9th, 1916, of his appointment as County Judge of Kent.

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia had a hearty send-off by the people of Ottawa when they left the Capital for good on October 11, 1916.

Before leaving Ottawa in October, 1916, their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught presented Sir Wilfred Laurier with a beautiful silver loving cup appropriately inscribed.

William Melville Martin, M.P., for Regina, accepted the Premiership of Saskatchewan on October 19, 1916, succeeding the Hon. Walter Scott.

His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, the new Governor-General of Canada, with his family arrived in Ottawa on November 13th, 1916, and was installed at Rideau Hall.

The Anglican Church of Canada commenced to use the new Canadian Book of Common Prayer early in November, 1916. This revised edition of the Prayer Book was approved by the General Synod in 1915.

An item of interest to historians was the publication in November, 1916, of a book by Augustus Bridle called "Sons of Canada."

On December 21st, 1916, the Duke of Connaught formally opened a new branch of the Maple Leaf Club at London.

Hon. Albert Sevigny was sworn in as Minister of Inland Revenue for the Dominion of Canada on January 8, 1917, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Hon. T. Chase Casgrain.

There were four lectures delivered in Convocation Hall, University of Toronto, in March, 1917, to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the Confederation of Canada.

The Drummond Hill Presbyterian Church at Niagara Falls, Ontario, celebrated the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Presbyterianism in the Niagara district with appropriate services on March 4, 1917.

EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH CANADIAN HISTORY

Prof. J. C. McLennan, of the University of Toronto, was elected President of the Royal Canadian Institute at its annual meeting in Toronto, May 6th, 1916.

A tablet with the following inscription was unveiled in All Saints Chapel of the military academy at Sewanee, Tennessee, on June 9th, 1916. "In

proud memory of Charles William Loaring Clark, Lieutenant in the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, born in England, 13th January, 1894, who upon the outbreak of the great war went to the help of his native land and died of wounds received in the trenches somewhere in France, 17th June, 1915. A graduate of the Military Academy, an undergraduate of the University, a postulant for Holy Orders."

Dr. A. G. Doughty published, in July, 1916, his new book "A Daughter of New France." This is a story of Madeline de Vercheres and the proceeds of the sale of the book go to Red Cross work.

On October 30th, 1916, M. M. C. Grant, a prominent lawyer of Halifax, was appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia in the place of the late Hon. David MacKeen.

Dr. Frank D. Adams of Montreal was chosen President of the Geological Society of America at the annual meeting held at Albany, New York, on December 28, 1916.

On December 31st, 1916, the King announced a long list of honours conferred upon Canadians all of whom are serving in the army and some with the Imperial Forces.

On February 12, 1917, the King honoured several Canadians. Several prominent citizens of Canada received Knighthood.

On May 11th, 1917, Queen Mary opened a new block of the Royal Naval Hospital at Haslar, England, which was presented by the women of Canada. The new building is three stories high and has accommodations for 250 patients. It is complete in equipment with reading, recreation, gymnasium and billiard rooms and has a modern Canadian kitchen.

CONCLUSION

In passing the work on to another I would not have you think that my interest in the subject will lag. Many of you know that Harvard College has honoured me with appointment as Curator of Canadian History and Literature in the College library. It is my belief that this great honour would not have been mine but for the opportunity you gave me in the Ontario Historical Society. They have given me general supervision over the purchase of books for the Canadian collection, which started with the Francis Parkman library and which has grown to be one of the best in the world. I have exclusive use of a comfortable and commodious room in the new Widener Memorial Library, and there is stack room for all the Canadian books that can be purchased. My Canadian friends will always be most welcome when they visit Boston.

I wish to assure my successors in this office that they are at liberty to call upon me for work at any time and that I will always do what I can.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CLARANCE M. WARNER,
Chairman.

June 6, 1917.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Minutes of Council Meeting held at Toronto on June 6, 1917, at 10.30 a.m.

Present:—Prof. John Squair, President, in the chair; Miss Janet Carnochan, Mrs. J. R. Simpson, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Clarance M. Warner, Geo. R. Pattullo, David Williams, John Ross Robertson, E. B. Biggar, W. H. Breithaupt, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, J. Davis Barnett, Dr. A. E. Lang, and A. F. Hunter.

Miss A. I. G. Gilkison, Justus A. Griffin and James Mitchell, members of the Society, were also present as visitors.

The minutes of the three preceding meetings of the council, having been printed, were confirmed.

The Secretary read his report on the work of the year 1916-17, prepared for the general Annual Meeting to be held in the afternoon, and on motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, the report was adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read, and on motion by Mr. Warner, seconded by Dr. Coyne, it was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Barnett, it was resolved that the Finance Sub-committee be instructed to take into consideration the re-investment of the Museum Fund in Canadian war bonds.

The Secretary brought the question of arrears of members' dues before the Council, and on motion by Mr. Biggar, seconded by Mr. Warner, it was resolved that the Membership Sub-committee take into consideration the sending of a letter to the members in arrears for dues.

On motion by Mr. Biggar, seconded by Col. Belcher, it was resolved that a Press Sub-committee be appointed to give more publicity to the affairs of the Society.

A letter of regret from Prof. John Dearness, London, in which he expressed his inability to attend this meeting, was read.

On motion by Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Dr. Coyne, it was resolved that Col. W. H. Merritt, Toronto, having become duly qualified, be appointed a Life Member; that Dr. Waldo G. Leland, Washington, D.C., be a Corresponding Member; and that Miss Agnes Maule Machar, Kingston, Ont., be an Honorary Member.

On motion by Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Col. Belcher, it was resolved that this Council confirm the action of the President and the Secretary on August 14, 1916, in endorsing the application of the Army and Navy Veterans to have the word "Canada" inscribed on the colours of the regiments that took part in the campaigns of 1759, etc., in Canada.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes of Council Meeting held at Toronto, on June 6, 1917, at 5 p.m.

After the close of the Annual Meeting of the Society the Council held a meeting to organize its sub-committees for the ensuing year.

Present:—Prof. John Squair, President, in the chair; Miss Janet Carnochan, Mrs. J. R. Simpson, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Geo. R. Pattullo, David Williams, Clarance M. Warner, John Ross Robertson, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, J. Davis Barnett, Prof. A. E. Lang, E. B. Biggar, and A. F. Hunter.

Mr. James Mitchell was also present as a visitor.

The following sub-committees of the Council were appointed:—

Finance—The President, the Secretary and the Treasurer.

Printing and Editorial—The President, the Secretary, Dr. A. E. Lang, John Ross Robertson, and Dr. Geo. H. Locke.

Library and Property—Geo. R. Pattullo, J. Davis Barnett, C.E., Miss Janet Carnochan, the President and the Secretary.

Membership—Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, John Dearness, the President and the Secretary.

Press and Publicity—John Ross Robertson, Geo. R. Pattullo, David Williams, the President and the Secretary.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr. Pattullo, it was resolved that the Secretary send a report of the Society's work to the Royal Society of Canada and to the American Historical Association.

Mrs. Simpson spoke of the work of the Historic Landmarks Association of Canada, Mr. Pattullo referred to the work of Mrs. Fessenden, Hamilton, in regard to the national flag, and the Secretary read a letter just received from Mrs. Fessenden on this subject. Col. Belcher suggested the holding of a night meeting.

On motion by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Pattullo, it was resolved that the President, the Secretary, J. Ross Robertson and Geo. R. Pattullo be a special committee to decide upon the place and the time of the next annual meeting.

The meeting then adjourned.

APPENDIX II

REPORTS OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

(Alphabetically arranged)

BRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Brantford, Ont.).

(Organized, 1908.)

Brantford, March 29, 1917.

At the 45th regular meeting and the annual meeting of the Brant Historical Society held in the Public Library, Brantford, the Secretary presented his annual report which was received by the Society on motion duly seconded.

The year which has just ended has been in many ways interesting and important. Four regular meetings and two special meetings have been held, and have been faithfully attended by those few who are interested in the work of the Society and find in it an opportunity of rendering real service to their own and future generations.

Important and useful regulations were drawn up and adopted to control and direct the operations of the committee in charge of the museum, and as these regulations were framed by the museum committee themselves it is likely that they are entirely suitable. Some things have also been done toward the classification and better arrangement of the contents of the museum.

Several important tasks have been assigned during the year.

1. His Honour Judge Hardy was requested to obtain a bibliography of important books, papers and manuscripts relative to the history of Brant County.

2. The matter of a memorial to the distinguished Canadian and son of Brant County, Norman Duncan, was referred to the committee on memorials.

3. Messrs. C. S. Tapscott and Runnings were appointed a committee to secure photographs and brief biographical sketches of all Brant County men who have made the supreme sacrifice.

During the year the Society was made the recipient of a bound copy of the "New York Albion" (1844-46) by Mr. T. H. Preston, and Mr. Henry Yeigh gave to the Society a fine photograph of Hon. A. S. Hardy.

After due consideration the Society decided to invite from time to time distinguished public men to address it and such of the general public as may be invited to such meetings, the first meeting being favoured with the presence of President Falconer.

The outstanding feature of this year's work was the unveiling of a tablet to the memory of Miss E. Pauline Johnson. The ceremony was of a most interesting character and was witnessed by a large audience.

I am sincerely yours,

(Rev.) James W. Gordon,

Secretary

Report of the Treasurer of the Brant Historical Society from March 1st, 1916, to March 1st, 1917

Receipts.

Balance on hand	$220 83
Bank interest	7 63
Grant from Ontario Government	100 00
Membership fees received	7 50
	$335 96

Disbursements.

Paid Secretary, postage	$3 60
" D. W. Moore for crest and printing stationery	7 52
" G. A. Woodside, expenses to Ontario Hist. Society	4 35
" Hurley Printing Co.	9 50
" McKenzie & Co., for repairing portrait of A. S. Hardy	4 10
" J. L. Sutherland for museum record book	15 50
" J. L. Sutherland for supplies	1 50
	$46 07
Balance on hand	289 89
	$335 96

Audited.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE (St. Thomas).

(Organized 1891.)

Annual Report, 1916-17

Six meetings were held, of which five were regular monthly, and the sixth a special public meeting. The average attendance at the regular meetings was 24, and there was a gratifyingly large audience at the public lecture.

Four new members were elected during the year.

Lectures and addresses were delivered as follows:

"A War-time Visit to England, Wales and France," His Honour Judge Ermatinger.

"Is this the last Great War?" J. A. Taylor, Inspector of Public Schools.

"Salonica and the Macedonian War-front," Captain J. J. MacKenzie, C.A.M.C., F.R.S.C.

"Reorganization of the Empire after the War." Discussion led by W. H. Murch, J. E. Nelson, Judge Ermatinger and A. Roberts.

"Brief Sketch of Russian History prior to the Duma," Mrs. A. E. Marlatt.

"The Duma," Miss Ella D. Bowes, M.A.

"The Russian Revolution," Mrs. F. B. Holtby.

Much interest was manifested in the discussions which followed the addresses given. Captain MacKenzie's lecture was illustrated with a large number of lantern slides.

Notwithstanding the many demands upon the members' time on account of the war, the Institute may be congratulated upon having had a successful year.

Preliminary steps were taken toward the commemoration of the founding of the Village of St. Thomas in the year 1817, one hundred years ago.

The Women's Auxiliary, besides holding a number of meetings at which papers were read, has continued its active and effective work for the soldiers at the front.

The balance in the Treasurer's hands on the 1st inst. was $117.69. His report is appended, as well as list of officers for 1917-1918.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES H. COYNE, *President.* C. W. MARLATT, *Secretary.*

Treasurer's Report for the Year, 1916-17

Receipts.

1916		
May 1	Cash on hand	$485 88
June 5	Legislative grant	100 00
30	Interest on deposit	8 57
	Membership fees	9 50
1917		
Mar. 22	Lecture (collection)	24 70
April 1	Interest on War-loan	12 50
	Interest on deposit	6 83
		$647 98

Expenditures.

1916		
May 12	Typewriting Annual Reports	$2 00
Oct. 20	War bond for $500	486 10
1917		
Mar. 6	In Mem. W. W. Olmstead	5 00
22	Lecture expenses	28 73
Apr. 30	Advertising accounts	7 46
	Postage and war tax	1 00
	Cash on hand	117 69
		$647 98

W. H. Murch,
Treasurer.

Officers for the Year: 1917-18

President ..... James H. Coyne, L.L.D., F.R.S.C.
Vice-President ..... Mrs. J. H. Wilson
Secretary ..... Dr. C. W. Marlatt
Treasurer ..... W. H. Murch
Editor ..... His Honour Judge C. O. Ermatinger
Curator ..... Dr. A. Leitch

Councillors—K. W. McKay, A. W. Graham, Rev. R. I. Warner, M.A., D.D., Mrs. J. S. Robertson, F. B. Holtby.

Advisory Council—Captain (Rev.) N. H. McGillivray, H. S. Wegg, Mrs. W. St. Thomas Smith, Mrs. J. H. Jones, Mrs. Graham Symington, J. W. Stewart, Miss Ella D. Bowes, M.A., George A. Anderson, J. A. Taylor, M.A., A. Roberts.

ESSEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Windsor).

(Organized 5th January, 1904.)

Report for the Year ending March 31st, 1917

Officers for the Year beginning January 1st, 1917

Honorary President ..... FRANCIS CLEARY
President ..... A. P. E. PANET
Vice-President ..... FREDERICK NEAL
Secretary-Treasurer ..... ANDREW BRAID
Auditors ..... FREDERICK NEAL AND F. P. GAVIN
Executive Committee—Officers as above and D. H. BEDFORD, GEORGE CHEYNE, F. P. GAVIN, ALEX. GOW AND (JUDGE) GEORGE SMITH.

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$152 34
Members' Fees	30 62
Grants	100 00
	$282 96

EXPENDITURES.

Tablets	$177 80
Printing	14 00
General expenses	33 75
Balance in hand	57 41
	$282 96

Number of members last year, 70; number of members this year, 66 (2 deaths, 2 removals); number of public meetings held this year, 1; number of committee meetings held, 3; number of books and pamphlets in library, 90; number added during the year, 10.

At a public meeting in Library Auditorium, Dec. 14th, 1916, Messrs. Bedford and Holton's paper on "The Ferry Systems of the Detroit River," was read. We had on view a large number of old photographs of the river and ferry boats, maps and pictures.

ANDREW BRAID,
Secretary.

HURON INSTITUTE (Collingwood).

(Organized 1904.)

Annual Report, 1916-17

The world yet being occupied with the great struggle for the suppression of Prussian militarism, the activities of institutions such as this have necessarily been curtailed in no small degree. To complain is quite out of order. Instead, satisfaction is found in knowing that while the work of this Institute has for the time being been suspended it has proved itself of some assistance to those engaged in patriotic efforts inasmuch as its fine rooms in the Public Library have been given over to the bands of energetic workers constituting the local branches of the Canadian Red Cross Society and the Imperial Daughters of the Empire. To these organizations they have proved a boon. Being bright, cheerful and comfortable they have been factors in the conduct of the undertakings entered upon by the ladies.

While the work for the khaki clad forces of the Empire has been so enthusiastically carried on in our quarters, much of value has been accomplished in the way of increasing the number of exhibits in the museum. The additions have covered a wide range, but probably the most important have been the numerous photographs of local scenes, these including buildings which rendered invaluable service when Collingwood was a struggling, straggling community, steamers which plied in and out of this harbour in earlier days of lake transportation, views of business thoroughfares in the days of plank sidewalks and unpaved roadways, and of industrial concerns which year after year, until their disappearance, played a prominent part in the making or marring of the prosperity of the town. Besides these, quite a number of local military pictures have been added, some in the form of postal picture cards donated by Messrs. Jury & Gregory, who have been especially generous in this particular, a group photograph of "C" Co. 177th Batt. which spent the winter here under the command of Capt. J. F. R. Stewart who made the donation and individual photographs of the officers and men of "A" Co. 157th Batt., these being mounted together and acompanied by a clear key to the names, this coming from Mr. A. S. Webb, who on different previous occasions has manifested his interest in this Institute by contributions of pictures. All add to the historical value and usefulness of the Institute which as time passes will become even more appreciated as the public gather an acquaintance with the work it is doing. And while much has been done there is yet more to be accomplished, in the doing of which the full co-operation of the public is solicited. To those who have assisted the sincere thanks of the Institute are tendered.

As has been the practice in years past, copies of the annual report and the financial statement were filed with the Provincial Minister of Education, the Ontario Historical Society, the Royal Society of Canada, and the American Historical Society.

During the year the Institute suffered the loss of a faithful and valued friend, Hon. J. S. Duff, M.P.P., Minister of Agriculture of the Province

of Ontario. From its inception until his lamented death he maintained a deep interest in its work and carefully scanned its progress year after year. He occasionally visited the museum and when opportunity offered never failed to speak favourably in its behalf. Needless to add that his death is deeply regretted and to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy is extended.

In Mr. W. T. Allan, M.P.P., who succeeds Hon. Mr. Duff as the representative of West Simcoe in the Provincial Legislature, it is felt that the Institute also has a friend who is interested in its work. Almost since its organization he has been identified with it in some capacity.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCES A. REDMOND, *Vice-President.* DAVID WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

Collingwood, April 23rd, 1917.

KENT HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Chatham).

(Organized 1912.)

Report for the Year ending May, 1917

Officers for Year beginning October 20, 1916

Honorary President ..... SHERIFF J. R. GEMMILL
President ..... T. K. HOLMES, M.D.
1st Vice-President ..... MRS. J. P. DUNN
2nd Vice-President ..... D. R. FARQUHARSON
Secretary ..... W. N. SEXSMITH, B.A.
Treasurer ..... H. A. DEAN, ESQ.
Auditor ..... W. M. FOREMAN
Executive Committee—MESSRS. T. SCULLARD, R. V. BRAY, M.D., J. C. WEIR, S. B. ARNOLD, AND MRS. K. B. COUTTS, MISS E. ABRAM, AND MRS. HENRY DICKIE.

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS.

1916		
Sept. 30	Cash on hand	$194 06
	Members' fees	57 00
	Grants	100 00
		$351 06

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	$92 10
Postage	2 50
General expenses	8 00
Cash on hand, 31st May, 1917	248 46
	$351 06

Number of members last year, 50; number of members this year, 50; number of public meetings held this year, 3; number of committee meetings held, 1; number of books and pamphlets in library, 64; number added during the year, 14; titles of publications issued, "Papers and Addresses," Vol. III.

List of lectures during the year:

Dec. 1. Annual meeting, Oct. 20. President's Address.

"The War of 1812-13-14," by Miss E. Abram.

"Tecumseh," by W. E. Park.

"The Thames River," by Dr. Cl. Campbell, London.

W. N. SEXSMITH, *Secretary.*

LENNOX AND ADDINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Napanee).

(Organized 1907.)

Report for the Year ending April, 1917

Officers for Year beginning May, 1917

Honorary Presidents ..... W. J. PAUL, M.P.; C. M. WARNER

President ..... W. S. HERRINGTON, K.C.

1st Vice-President ..... MRS. A. W. GRANGE

Secretary-Treasurer ..... REV. A. J. WILSON

Executive Committee—DR. R. A. LEONARD, MRS. M. C. BOGART, MR. E. R. CHECKLEY, MR. J. M. ROOT, REV. J. H. H. COLEMAN, J. W. ROBINSON.

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$106 37
Members' fees	41 00
Grants, etc.	104 35
	$251 72

EXPENDITURES.

Miscellaneous	$199 19
Balance in hand	52 53
	$251 72

Number of members 41 (paid fees); number of public meetings held this year, 6; number of committee meetings held, 1; publications issued; number, 8.

I. Chronicles of Napanee.
II. Early Education.
III. Casey Scrap Book, Part 1.
IV. Casey Scrap Book, Part 2.
V. Bell & Laing School Papers.
VI. Pioneer Life on Bay of Quinte.
VII, VIII. Important Debate on the adoption of the Report of the Select Committee on the differences between His Excellency and the Executive Council, House of Assembly, April 18, 1836.

List of lectures during the year:
Oct. "A Visit to the Trenches," by Mr. Nickle, M.P.
Nov. 17. "Travelogue," Miss Withrow.
Jan. 19. Dr. Raynor.
Feb. 16. "Paris," Archdeacon Davidson.
Mar. 30. "The Historical Task of the British Empire," by Dr. Scott.
May 11. "History and Literature of Ancient Babylon," by Rev. Boyle.

REV. A. J. WILSON, *Secretary.*

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY (London, Ont.)

(Organized 1901.)

Report for the Year ending May 15, 1917

Officers for Year beginning October 10, 1916

President ..... PROF. ANDREW STEVENSON, B.A.
1st Vice-President ..... THOS. BRYAN, ESQ.
2nd Vice-President ..... MRS. BRICKENDEN
Recording Secretary ..... MISS S. MACKLIN
Ass't Secretary ..... MISS E. L. EVANS
Treasurer ..... DR. CL. T. CAMPBELL
Auditors ..... MESSRS. H. MACKLIN, J.P., THOS. BRYAN, ESQ.
Executive Committee—MESSRS. MAJOR T. J. MURPHY, DAVID RODGER, ESQ., H. MACKLIN, J.P., PROF. DEARNESS, M.A., ALEX. HARVEY, ESQ., MRS. RICH. EVANS, AND MISS PRIDDIS.

Financial Statement

Receipts.

1916		
May 16	Cash on hand	$311 32
	Members' fees	24 26
	Government grant	100 00
		$435 58

Expenditures.

1917	
Balance May 15	$125 20
Printing, Postage	265 38
General expenses, Miscellaneous	45 00
	$435 58

Number of members last year, 150 on roll; number of members this year, 153 on roll; number of public meetings held this year, 8; books and pamphlets in library, 50; number added during the year, 5.

Publications issued:

Transactions VII (500 issued).

"The Fathers of London Tp.," Freeman Talbot.

"Bench and Bar in Early Days," by Judge D. J. Hughes.

"Gleanings from the Sheriff's Records," by Sheriff D. M. Cameron.

"Pioneer Politicians," by Dr. Cl. T. Campbell.

Transactions VIII (500 issued).

"Gov. Simcoe's Tour Through S. Ontario," by Dr. Cl. T. Campbell.

"Proudfoot Papers, Part 2," by Miss Priddis.

"The Settlers of Lobo Tp.," by Edgar Zavitz, Esq.

List of lectures during the year:

Oct. 10, 1916. Picture Travelogue, "Canada in Peace and War," by Mr. Frank Yeigh, Toronto.

Nov. 21, 1916. "Quaker Settlement in Lobo Tp.," by Mr. Edgar Zavitz.

Dec. 19, 1916. "Proudfoot Chronicles," Continued, by Miss Priddis

Jan. 16, 1917. "Pioneer Doctors of London and District," by Dr. Cl. T. Campbell.

Feb. 20, 1917, "Simcoe's Visit to London District," by Dr. S. Woolverton.

Mar. 20, 1917. "Sidelights on the Fathers of Confederation," by Mr. Fred Landon.

Apr. 17, 1917. "The Thames River and Valley," by Dr. Campbell.

May 15, 1917. "The Holman Family," by Mr. A. D. Holman.

MISS S. MACKLIN, *Secretary.*

LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Niagara Falls, Ont.).

(Organized 1887.)

Report for the Year ending October 4th, 1916

Officers for Year beginning January 1, 1917

Honorary President ..... BRIGADIER-GENERAL CRUIKSHANK
President ..... MR. R. W. GEARY
1st Vice-President ..... MR. W. H. ARISON
2nd Vice-President ..... REV. CANON BEVAN
Secretary ..... MR. J. C. MORDEN
Secretary-Treasurer ..... MR. JOHN H. JACKSON
Auditors ..... MESSRS. R. CHISHOLM AND C. C. COLE
Executive Committee—MESSRS. C. C. COLE, R. CHISHOLM, C. F. CAMPBELL, AND F. H. LESLIE; AND MISS BARNETT, MRS. BIRDSALL, MISS S. CRYSLER, MISS BUTTERS AND DR. H. CRYSLER.

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$956 03
Members' fees	3 25
Grants	200 00
Publications	3 25
Interest on balances	32 68
	$1,195 21

EXPENDITURES.

Rentals	$25 00
Printing	9 20
General expenses	45 10
	$79 30

Number of members last year, 13; number of public meetings held this year, 1.

JOHN H. JACKSON, *Secretary.*

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Niagara-on-the-Lake).

(Organized, 1895.)

Report of the Society, 1917

Since sending our last report we have attained our majority as a Society, as in December, 1916, we had reached the twenty-first year, having been founded in December, 1895. And these have been eventful years in the history of the world as well as in our own history. We may, we hope, be pardoned for recounting some of these events in our history; but first we tell what we have done during the last year. We have reprinted number 13, containing St. Vincent de Paul Church, A Canadian Heroine, Historic Houses, also 2 and 4 in one pamphlet as many requests are made for pamphlets out of print. We have been presented with a pamphlet, No. 29, "Correspondence of Alexander Hamilton, Sheriff of Lincoln," relating to the troublous years 1837-8, by Dr. A. H. U. Colquhoun, Deputy Minister of Education, a munificent gift. This we have distributed.

During the year there were five meetings and two committee meetings. Papers read were: "Niagara Boys in the War," by Miss Creed; "Correspondence of Sheriff Hamilton, 1837-8," "Sketch of Hon. Wm. Dickson," by J. Kerr of the Waterloo Historical Society, and many letters received.

The usual picnic was held at Queenston Heights and addresses given by A. W. Wright, Rev. D. Drummond, Rev. A. F. MacGregor and Mrs. E. J. Thompson, and the President. The Historical room was open during the summer and over 1,300 visitors recorded their names. These came from every province of the Dominion and many states of the Union; some from England, Scotland, Wales and even China; many military men from the different battalions varying in rank from private to general, and even the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province. Various groups from the Chautauqua Circle, the Dorcas Club and the Daughters of the Empire visited us. Five additional tablets have been placed in the building either to individuals or regiments.

Various articles have been contributed, among them: Five bound volumes of the New York *Albion,* 1837-1842; bound volume of Toronto *Globe and Canada Farmer,* 1876-9; Poor Richard's Almanac, 1796; chair of Alexander Stewart used by the Duke of Kent, here 1792; a large facsimile of

the National Covenant signed in Greyfriars', Edinburgh, 1638, with names of nobles, clergymen and others; remarkable wreath of flowers made of hair by members of Laura Secord's family, documents relating to the erection of fog horn and light house at Niagara, list of forces here in 1916, photostat of correspondence of Sheriff Hamilton, 1837-8; Albion engraving of Sir Walter Scott's monument, several early Canadian books, some of them printed in Niagara; *Leader* extra, June, 1866; London *Times*, 1805.

Our finances are in a satisfactory condition, our income being derived from Government and County grants, members' fees, sales of pamphlets and contribution box. We are preparing to print another pamphlet and are endeavouring to obtain more records of early settlers. We distributed over five hundred pamphlets and seven hundred reports. The presence of the camp in 1916 helped to further improve Fort Mississauga, as a breakwater was constructed by the engineer force, something we had many times asked the Government to do.

Death has again made havoc in our ranks; we record with sorrow the death of several of our most valued members, with peculiar feelings of sorrow the death of Dr. C. C. James, C.M.G., F.R.S.C., an honorary member, not only a loss to our Society but to Canada in losing a distinguished son, also Rev. Canon Ker, whose loss we deplore, P. McCulloch, of Abbotsford, B.C., Miss Gray, Toronto, Rev. A. B. Sherk, Toronto, and Major Hiscott, of Niagara, an honorary member.

We sum up briefly the work of our Society since 1895. First an interest has been developed in the history of our country and neighborhood, 11 markers have been placed in historic spots, 29 pamphlets printed and circulated, reports and circulars every year, an historical building erected at an expense of $6,000, believed to be the only building erected by an Historical Society for purely historical purposes, as others have had rooms or buildings given them; over 6,000 articles have been collected, arranged and catalogued, 31 tablets placed in the building, 20 maps of the vicinity copied and mounted, innumerable letters written in answer to requests for historical information. We exchange with over 50 historical societies and have accumulated a valuable library; we have 250 members, several of whom are on active service in France.

We record with pride the work of our volunteer soldiers who have shed lustre on the name of Canada, and our faith that the Empire will rise triumphantly through all the turmoil and loss of our noblest and our best, and that the world will be a better world, and freedom and justice obtained by all.

Officers, 1916-17

Honorary President ..... General Cruikshank, F.R.S.C.
President ..... Miss Carnochan
Vice-President ..... Rev. Canon Garrett
Second Vice-President ..... Mrs. T. F. Best
Secretary ..... Mrs. Ascher
Treasurer ..... Mrs. S. D. Manning
Curator and Editor ..... Miss Carnochan
Assistant Curators ..... Mrs. E. J. Thompson and Mrs. Bottomley
Committee—Alfred Ball, Mrs. Goff, Wm. Ryan, Mrs. Bottomley, G. S. Bales, B.A.

Financial Statement

Receipts.

Cash on hand	$535 00
Members' Fees	101 00
Grants	225 00
Sale of pamphlets	25 00
Contribution box	41 00
	$931 00

Expenditures.

Printing	$188 00
Postage	38 00
Work. markers	50 00
B. Red Cross	50 00
Other expenses	35 00
Balance	570 00
	$931 00

Books and pamphlets in library 450; number added during the year 65.

J. Carnochan,

President.

THUNDER BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Fort William).

(Organized, 1909.)

Report for the Year ending October 31st, 1916

Officers for Year beginning October 31st, 1916

Honorary President ..... Hon. Sir Geo. E. Foster
President ..... Mr. Peter McKellar, Fort William
Vice-President ..... Mr. A. L. Russell, Port Arthur
Secretary-Treasurer ..... Miss M. J. L. Black, Fort William
Auditors ..... Mrs. George A. Graham, Mrs. F. C. Perry
Executive Committee—Miss Dobie (Port Arthur), Dr. Oliver (Fort William), Mrs. Jno. King (Fort William), Mr. F. C. Perry (Fort William).

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$4 50
Members' fees	14 00
Grants, Government	100 00
Donations	45 00
	$163 50

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	$89 75
Postage	1 60
General expenses	6 60
	$97 95

Number of members last year, 13 paid up; number of members this year, 15 paid up; public meetings held this year, 6. Publication: Annual Report.

List of lectures during the year:
Nov. 25, 1915. "Twin Harbours," by Mr. A. L. Russell.
Feb. 25, 1916. "Turning of the C. P. R. Sod." (Reading from *Globe.*)
Mch. 31, 1916. "Shipping Trade," by Mr McKellar.
May 4th, 1916. "Reminiscences," by Mrs. Moberley.
Sept. 29, 1916. "Legends of Floating Island," by Mrs. J. M. Sherle.

MARY J. L. BLACK,
Secretary.

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Kitchener).

(Organized, Nov. 13th, 1912.)

Report for the Year ending December 31st, 1916

Officers for Year beginning November 1st, 1916

President ..... W. H. BREITHAUPT
Vice-President ..... REV. THEO. SPETZ, C.R.
Secretary-Treasurer ..... P. FISHER
Auditors ..... MESSRS. SCULLY AND SCULLY
Executive Committee—C. H. MILLS, M.P.P.; W. J. MOTZ, M.A.; JUDGE C. R. HANNING, E. W. B. SNIDER, and local vice-presidents, viz.: JAMES E. KERR, CHAS. RUBY, A. WERNER, J. L. WIDEMAN.

Financial Statement

Receipts.

Cash on hand	$29 48
Members' fees	67 00
Grants, Legislative $100.00; Waterloo County, $50.00	150 00
Sale of reports, etc.	8 25
	$254 73

Expenditures.

Rentals	$12 00
Printing and advertising	146 92
Postage and stationery	22 80
General expenses	35 00
Miscellaneous	10 30
Balance	27 71
	$254 73

Number of members last year, 94; number of members this year, 100; number of public meetings held this year, 1; number of committee meetings held, 5; books and pamphlets in library, 250; number added during the year, 25.

Publications issued: Fourth Annual Report (800 copies). First Annual Report (reprint) (350 copies).

List of lectures during the year:

1. "Early History of Haysville and Vicinity," by Allan R. G. Smith, Secretary, Wilmot Agricultural Society.

2. "The Indian Occupation of Southern Ontario," by James H. Coyne, LL.D., F.R.S.C., President, Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute.

3. "Sketch of the Life of Hon. William Dickson," by James E. Kerr.

All of these papers are printed in the 1916 Annual Report.

P. Fisher,

Secretary.

WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Hamilton).

(Organized, 1889.)

Report for the Year ending June 6th, 1917

Officers for Year beginning June 6th, 1916

President ..... Rev. P. L. Spencer
1st Vice-President ..... Justus A. Griffin
2nd Vice-President ..... Mrs. M. Henderson
Corresponding Secretary ..... Mrs. Clementina Fessenden
Recording Secretary and Treasurer ..... J. H. Land
Historian ..... J. A. Griffin
Librarian ..... J. H. Land
Auditor ..... W. A. Davidson
Executive Committee—J. H. Smith, J. A. Barr, J. Gardner, J. E. Orr, Hon. E. D. Smith, J. G. Cloke, Kirwan Martin, A. C. Beasley, J. Plant.

Financial Statement

Receipts.

Cash on hand	$276 10
Members' fees	28 00
Grants	200 00
Proceedings sold	1 00
	$505 10

Expenditures.

Rentals	$2 00
Printing	118 67
Postage	6 00
General expenses	30 70
Miscellaneous	163 35
	$320 72

Number of members last year, 60; number of members this year, 62; number of public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 4; books and pamphlets in library, 525; number added during the year, 25; publications issued: Proceedings, Vol. 7 (400).

List of lectures during the year:
Oct. 6, 1916. "Early Emigration (illustrated)," by Rev. P. L. Spencer.
June 6, 1916. "Causes of the War," by J. H. Smith.

J. H. Land,
Secretary.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE (St. Thomas).

(Organized, 1896.)

Report for the Year 1916-1917

During the year eight regular and several committee meetings were held.

Papers prepared and read by the members were as follows:

"Woman's Part in the War," by Miss Ella N. Bowes, M.A.

"Woman's Problem in Germany," by Miss Margaret Cook, B.A.

"Political Conditions in Russia since Peter the Great," by Mrs. A. E. Marlatt.

"The Origin of the Russian Duma," by Miss Ella N. Bowes, M.A.

"An Account of the Present Crisis, and the Struggle of the Russian People for Liberty," by Mrs. F. B. Holtby.

"The British Navy," by Mrs. Jasper Robertson.

An interesting address on "Soldiers' Life at the Front" was delivered by Captain MacEvoy.

During the year the ladies have in various ways raised the sum of $609.50, $565.00 of which was used to buy yarn. Eight hundred and sixty-four pairs of hand-made socks have been sent to the men in active service since last May.

We have a membership of one hundred, and a bank balance of $143.08.

A list of officers for the year 1916-1917 is appended.

AMELIA A. WILSON, *President.* BELLE SYMINGTON, *Secretary.*

President ..... MRS. J. H. WILSON
1st Vice-President ..... MRS. J. S. ROBERTSON
2nd Vice-President ..... MRS. J. M. GREEN
3rd Vice-President ..... MRS. W. H. MURCH
4th Vice-President ..... MRS. T. H. HUTCHINSON
Secretary-Treasurer ..... MRS. GRAHAM SYMINGTON
Assistant-Secretary ..... MRS. F. A. FESSANT
Assistant-Treasurer ..... MISS FLORENCE MCLACHLIN
Corresponding-Secretary ..... MRS. J. H. JONES
Curator ..... MISS M. LANGAN

Executive Committee—The officers above named and the following ladies: MRS. A. LEITCH, MRS. W. H. KING, MRS. J. B. MORFORD, MRS. F. B. HOLTBY, MRS. A. E. MARLATT, MRS. E. H. CAUGHELL, MRS. J. H. CARRIE, MRS. J. W. STEWART, MRS. E. A. SMITH, MISS ELLA N. BOWES.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA.

(Organized, 1898.)

Report for the year ending March 28th, 1917

Officers for year beginning March 29th. 1917

Honorary Presidents ..... LADY BORDEN, LADY LAURIER
President ..... MRS. J. LORNE MCDOUGALL
1st Vice-President ..... MME. L. N. RHÉAUME
2nd Vice-President ..... MRS. D. H. MCLEAN
Corresponding Secretary ..... MRS. J. M. SOMERVILLE
Recording Secretary ..... MRS. W. COWLING GULLOCK
Treasurer ..... MISS LINA ROTHWELL
Auditor ..... MR. J. D. FRASER
Executive Committee—MRS. BLIGH, MRS. ATTWOOD, MRS. T. P. FORAN, MRS. W. J. LYNCH, MRS. C. H. THORBURN, MRS. R. BROWN, MRS. IDINGTON, MRS. C. A. PARKER, MRS. F. BISHOP.

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$213 84
Members' fees	52 50
Grants	200 00
	$466 34

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	$54 25
Postage	14 05
General expenses	11 63
	$79 93

Number of members last year, 146; number of members this year, 128; number of public meetings held this year, 3; number of committee meetings held, 3; books and pamphlets in library, 314; number added during the year, 3 pamphlets and 6 books since March 29th, 1917. Publications issued: Annual Report.

The Board of Control and the City Council placed the old Registry Office on Nicholas Street at the disposal of the Society to house their collection. It will contain many interesting historical relics of Bytown and vicinity hitherto awaiting a fire-proof building.

List of lectures during the year:
"Nova Scotia," by Mrs. J. M. Somerville.
"The County of Lennox and Addington," by Mrs. I. J. Christie.
"Germans As We Know Them," by Mrs. J. L. McDougall.

CAROLYN GULLOCK,
Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO.

(Organized, 1895.)

Report for the year ending May, 1917

Officers for year beginning Nov., 1916

Honorary President ..... LADY HENDRIE
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Recording Secretary ..... MISS ROBERTS
Treasurer ..... MRS. H. DUCKWORTH, 418 Indian Rd.
Auditor ..... SYDNEY JONES, ESQ., Bursar of Trinity College.
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Financial Statement

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$156 97
Members' fees	84 00
	$240 97

EXPENDITURES.

Rentals	$30 00
Printing	100 40
Postage	3 02
General expenses	5 70
	$139 12

Number of members last year, 81; number of members this year, 84; number of public meetings held this year, 6 monthly meetings, 2 evening lectures; number of committee meetings held, 12; books and pamphlets added during the year, 20; publications issued: (500 printed, probably 350 distributed.) Incidents in the early history of the settlements in the vicinity of Lake Ontario (Reminiscences of James Richardson, D.D.).

List of lectures during the year:

Oct. "Reminiscences of an Indian Mission, 1857," by Mrs. Jeffers Graham.

Dec. "With the University Base Hospital at Salonika," by Lieut.-Col. A. Primrose.

Jan. Letters written by Wm. Boultbee, 1829-33, Classical Master of Upper Canada College.

Feb. Continuation of same.

Mar. "Notes on Georgina Township," by Miss E. Sibbald.

Mar. "Illustrated Lecture on the Navy," by Rev. C. E. Sharp, M.A.

Apr. "The King's Mill on the Humber," by Miss Kathleen Lizars.

C. L. Corley,
Secretary.

WORK OF THE RED CROSS COMMITTEE

Receipts.

Cash in hand	$8 35
Receipts from lectures, teas and exhibitions	510 55
Donations	36 95
	$555 85

Expenditure.

Printing	$19 93
Advertising	11 30
Postage	4 25
Rentals	20 00
Soldiers' Club	25 00
Lady Jellico's Fund	50 00
Cabin for sailors	100 00
Red Cross supplies	57 02
Wool and socks	208 82
	$496 32

Hope H. Duckworth,
Treasurer.

WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Hamilton).

(Organized, 1899.)

Report for the year ending May 31st, 1917

Officers for year beginning June, 1916

President ..... LADY HENDRIE
1st Vice-President ..... MRS. JOHN CRERAR
2nd Vice-President ..... LADY GIBSON
3rd Vice-President ..... MISS CALDER
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YORK PIONEER AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Toronto).

(Organized, 1869.)

Report for the year ending February 1st, 1917

Officers for year beginning February, 1917

Past President ..... WILLIAM CROCKER
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2nd Vice-President ..... ALEX. E. WHEELER
Secretary ..... J. WIGHTMAN MILLAR
Treasurer ..... J. G. HUGHES.
Auditors ..... W. A. PARSONS and JAS. P. LANGLEY
Executive Committee—GEO. J. ST. LEGER, HON. E. J. DAVIS, DR. J. T. GILMOUR, FRED. C. JARVIS, JOSEPH OLIVER, JAMES A. WALES, WM. C. GRUBBE.

Number of public meetings held this year, 12; number of committee meetings held, 14.

A complete Annual Report published during the year gives the full particulars of the Society's work.

A paper was read at every monthly meeting, all of which were of much interest to the members.

J. W. MILLAR,
Secretary.

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